Statement By The Chairman

The Open Skies Consultative Commission agreed to the following Chairman's statement:

In accordance with Article XI of the Treaty on Open Skies the Open Skies Consultative Commission (OSCC) states its intention to make use of the CSCE Communications Network for transmission of notifications and reports of the Open Skies regime as well as data from a possible future Open Skies data base.

For that purpose the OSCC agrees to request the permanent committee of the CSCE and the Special Committee of the FSC to give their agreement in principle to the use of the CSCE Communications Network for the above-mentioned purposes.

If the PC/CSCE and the SC/FSC agree, then the OSCC tasks its Working Group on Information Exchange (Formats and data base) to elaborate the appropriate procedures and related aspects and to report to the OSCC. The Working Group is advised to work in close co-operation with the Ad Hoc Working Group on Communications of the CSCE.